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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/656,008	CHOU ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Erin D. Chiem	2883	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --
Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 2 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on December 19, 2003.
 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) _____ is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) 1 is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) 2-10 is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

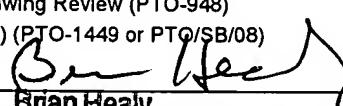
9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____. 

4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
 6) Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

This action is in response to the amendment filed on December 19, 2003. Claim 10 has been added in the amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claim 1 is allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant's claim of a bi-directional transceiver mainly includes optical transceiver sleeve, laser diode package, photoelectric sensor, filter glass and a rectangular combined-seat whose surface is made of stainless steel, and the inner parts made of plastic material has been well taught in the art of fiber optic couplers with housing. However, the Applicant specifically claimed the specific positions to the optical elements such as:

“[the combined-seat] connects with the optical transceiver sleeve at the right side, connects with the laser diode package at the left side, connects again with the photoelectric sensor at its top; such three components are combined in the combined-seat and form an optical transceiver module”

over came the prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

1. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

The formal matters are all lack of antecedent basis objections and lack of clarity objections

- Claim 2, second line, *-- another side is equipped with a rectangular hole*—is unclear. Applicant should describe the relativity of the “another side”.
- Claim 3, *--the central part of the combined-seat*--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 4, *--the housing washer*--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 5, *--a small flange and flange*--; for clarity, Applicant should revised as “a small flange and a large flange..
- Claim 6, *--the inner ring*--; lack antecedent basis. The word “a” is missing between the words “is” and “ceramic”.
- Claim 8, *--the graphical head*--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 9, *--the head of the photoelectric sensor*--; lack antecedent basis.
- Claim 10, the word “a” is missing between the words “is” and “ceramic”.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

Conclusion

2. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Javitt et al., Butrie et al., and Shigeta et al. all teach a bi-directional transceiver capable of receiving and transmitting in one integrated module.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Erin D. Chiem whose telephone number is (571) 272-3102. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday 9AM - 5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Frank G. Font can be reached on (571) 272-2415. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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